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On 10 January 1951, the Kwangtung Communist Party Headquarters received from the Central Executive Committee of the Chinese Communist Party a 'Purge Directive', which was forwarded by the Party Committee of the Central and South China Bureau. It reads as follows:

Directive

China Communist Party Central and South China Party Committee

4 January 1951

Chung Tang Mi (中黨密) Number 239.

This Bureau, acting on the Directive of the Central Executive Committee, is staging a purge campaign, the procedure of which is given below. This is to consolidate the People's Democratic Administration by preventing attack and infiltration by liquidating reactionary elements.

- A. To be started on 15 January 1951 and to end on 15 February.
- B. In your province during the first stage of its liberation, most of the original personnel of the bogus military and administrative institutions who remained in service during the take-over, were reactionary elements of the Kuomintang. As the result of miserable circumstances, many of them have been utilized by the reactionary gang of the Kuomintang to act as their spies and to supply its agents with intelligence reports on the various institutions of our People's Government. These remaining personnel of the previous bogus organizations should, therefore, be mostly replaced by the Party's loyal cadres. Even those proved to be efficient for continuation of services are to be registered and reformed, and their thought-training must be strengthened.

- C. From 1 April to the end of September 1950, our party had enforced the nation-wide 'Disciplinary Readjustment'. However,

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[REDACTED] on 'Disciplinary readjustment' results in Kwangtung, it appears that the work in Kwangtung has not had good results. Moreover, Kwangtung produced the worst record as far as national Party discipline is concerned. If the 'readjustment' is not enforced once again, Party discipline cannot be maintained. It is therefore necessary that Kwangtung, after this 'urge', should carry on with the 'Disciplinary readjustment' from 1 March 1951. It is hoped that the above points will be strictly executed and a report made accordingly."

The above is to notify the Kwangtung Communist Party Headquarters.

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